

# EXHIBIT 4: CEQA Initial Study, Negative Declaration

## Notice of Determination

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To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research  
PO Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

☐ County Clerk  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

From: (Public Agency) \_\_\_\_\_  
California Department of Transportation  
111 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94612  
(Address)

### Subject:

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

~~Estaluma Marsh~~ Expansion Project

### Project Title

2000042033

Kathleen McBride

510-286-5617

State Clearinghouse Number  
(If submitted to Clearinghouse)

Lead Agency  
Contact Person

Area Code/Telephone/Extension

East of State Hwy. 101, North of the City of Novato, Marin County

### Project Location (include county)

### Project Description:

The project will restore approximately 102 acres of diked bayland to tidal marsh habitat incorporating tidal sloughs, tidal ponds, and pickleweed/cordgrass marshplain. Tidal action will be restored by grading down existing levees and cutting breaches in the levees, creating channels to the interior portions of the site. Tidal ponds will be constructed using fill graded from the existing levees.

This is to advise that the California Dept. of Transportation has approved the above described project on

July 31, 2000

(Date)

☒ Lead Agency ☐ Responsible Agency

and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project ☐ will ☒ will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☐ were ☒ were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A statement of Overriding Considerations ☐ was ☒ was not adopted for this project.
5. Findings ☐ were ☒ were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

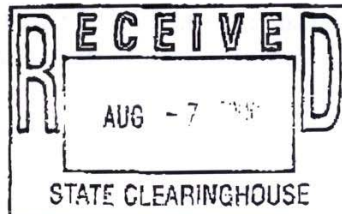
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*Kathleen McBride*  
Signature (Public Agency)

8-3-00  
Date

*District Branch Chief*  
Title

Date received for filing at OPR:



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Additional environmental documentation will be included on Disk #2.